



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 491

February Session, 2008

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AN ACT CONCERNING MEDICAL LOSS RATIOS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a task force
2 to study the medical loss ratios of health insurance plans delivered,
3 issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state. Such
4 study shall include, but not be limited to, analysis of the factors that
5 affect such loss ratios and assessment of the impact of setting loss ratio
6 thresholds, and shall consider both private and public organizations'
7 health plans in such study.

8 (b) The task force shall consist of the following members:

9 (1) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives;

10 (2) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate;

11 (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of
12 Representatives;

13 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate;

14 (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of
15 Representatives;

16 (6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate;

17 (7) The Insurance Commissioner or the commissioner's designee;
18 and

19 (8) Two representatives from the insurance industry appointed by
20 the chairpersons of the task force.

21 (c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (1),
22 (2), (3), (4), (5) or (6) of subsection (b) of this section may be a member
23 of the General Assembly.

24 (d) All appointments to the task force shall be made not later than
25 thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be
26 filled by the appointing authority.

27 (e) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president
28 pro tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the task
29 force, from among the members of the task force. Such chairpersons
30 shall schedule the first meeting of the task force, which shall be held
31 not later than sixty days after the effective date of this section.

32 (f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the
33 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to insurance
34 and real estate shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.

35 (g) Not later than December 31, 2008, the task force shall submit a
36 report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing
37 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
38 relating to insurance and real estate, in accordance with the provisions
39 of section 11-4a of the general statutes. The task force shall terminate
40 on the date that it submits such report or January 1, 2009, whichever is
41 later.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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